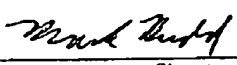



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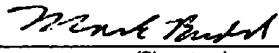
Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this response.

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Amendments to the Drawings begin on Page 10 of this response and relate to both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

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